

Abstract of the Disclosure

A method and apparatus for transferring a vibrational force to the wire of a papermaking machine in order to re-align the fibers of the web forming on the wire or to clean press section felts. In some embodiments, the apparatus is a vibrational device including at least one vibration-inducing mechanism, a vibrational head coupled to the vibration-inducing mechanism for vibrating the wire, and a dampening mechanism coupled between the vibrational head and the vibration-inducing mechanism.